

«Training in the interests of participation of deaf and hard of hearing people since birth and during school»

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The presentation

- No Project
- I am presenting a study curriculum!

The program

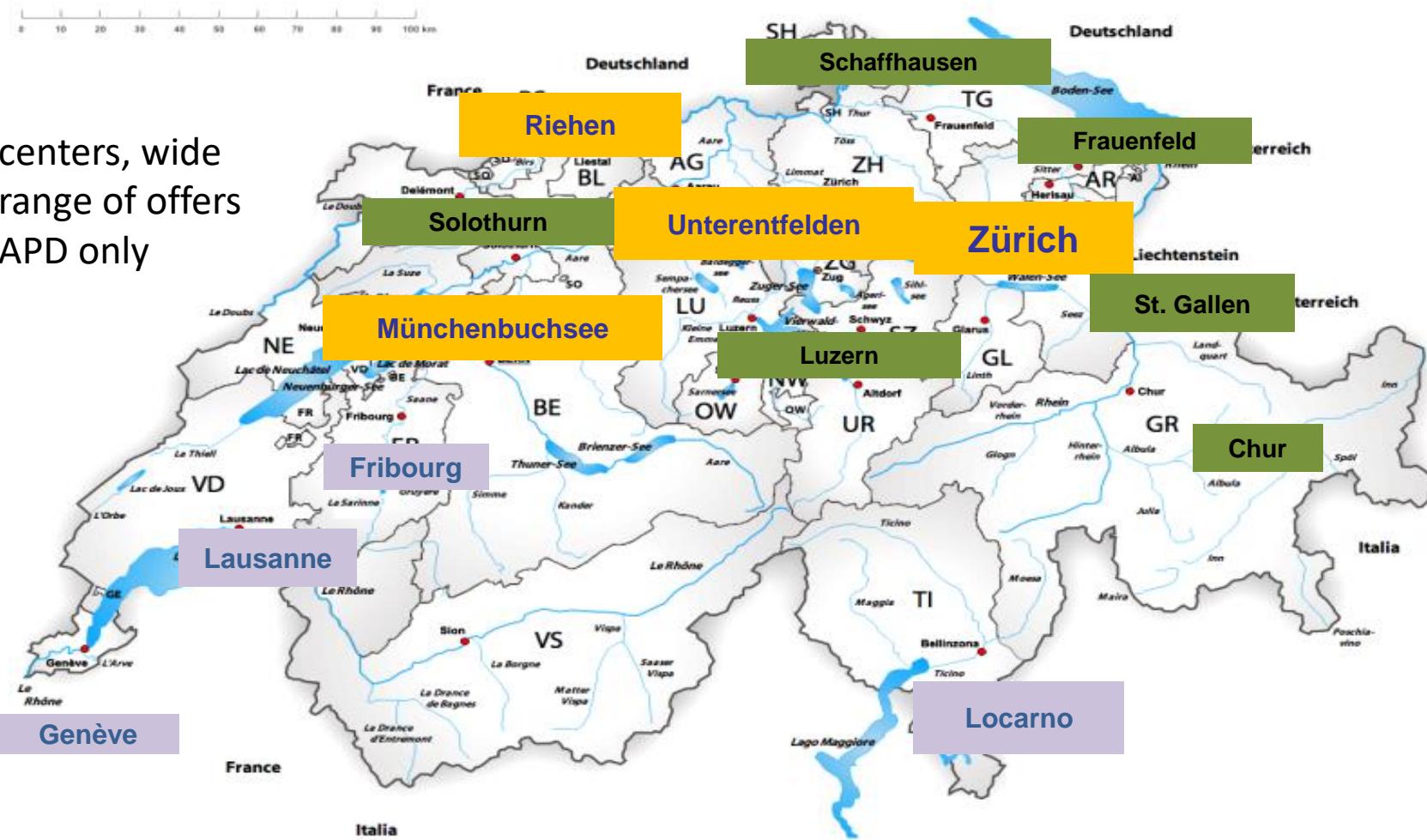
- MA Special need education, in-service training
- Requirement: teacher/kindergarten training & experience
- Specialisations:
 - «Pädagogik bei Schulschwierigkeiten»
 - «Pädagogik für Menschen mit geistiger Behinderung»
 - «Pädagogik für Schwerhörige und Gehörlose» → 10-15 students every second year
 - «Pädagogik für Körper- und Mehrfachbehinderte»
 - «Pädagogik für Sehbehinderte und Blinde»

Schooling practices of deaf and hard of hearing in Switzerland (German speaking part)

- early childhood intervention «Heilpädagogische Früherzieherin / Heilpädagogischer Früherzieher»
- Integrative school settings «Audiopädagogin / Audiopädagoge» → APD = Audiopädagogischer Dienst
- Mixed school settings
- Special schools
 - bilingual
 - oral
- Additional
 - extracurricular offers
 - therapy

Schooling practices of deaf and hard of hearing in Switzerland (German speaking part)

centers, wide range of offers
APD only



Schooling practices of deaf and hard of hearing in Switzerland: Example

– Situation in Zurich:

- «BSFH: Berufsschule für Hörbeeinträchtigte»
- «Sek 3»
- «**ZGSZ: Zentrum für Gehör und Sprache** »



Study Contents

- Effect of a hearing disability on development (communication, sensory development, emotional development, social development, identity, cognition)
- Diagnostics
- Concepts of how to support learning in deaf and hard of hearing students
- Supporting language development
- Principles of didactics (in inclusive settings), didactics of mathematics and language
- Physiology and pathology of hearing, hearing aids incl. cochlear implants

Focus: Communication

People who are deaf or hard of hearing use a variety of ways to communicate:
assistive listening devices, lip reading, reading, sign language (interpreters)

The method of communication can vary depending upon

- abilities of the person
- on the complexity
- on the nature of the communications

→ Adaptive expertise to support and facilitate communication

Focus: School Counseling

- How to optimally organize the classroom
(acoustical advice, position,
- How to communicate (face the person directly;
speak in a natural way, how to get attention)
- Which didactical decisions support learning
(giving the context, hearing brakes, structuring
of teaching, verifying if they understood)
- Working together as a support team

Focus: Family Counseling

- Early learning takes place at home, in specific contexts
- Enable social interactions – enable learning
- Key themes: accepting, communicating, finding ones identity
- low-threshold technical/medical support

→ Diagnosing; acting and advising adaptivly by effective scaffolding

Focus: interdisciplinary work

- Teachers, social pedagogues, otorhinolaryngologist, psychologists, speech therapists, social workers...
- Especially important during transitions: birth/getting the diagnose, kindergarten/school, apprenticeship/work

Thank you for your attention!

Questions?

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